

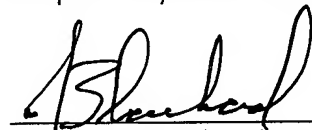
REMARKS

Original claims 1, 3-5, 7, 8, 10-18, and 27-29 as filed or amended were allowed in the parent application and are thus cancelled here. Claims 19-26 and 30-40 are pending. Claims 19-21, 24, and 30-33 are currently amended. Claim 19 is amended to more clearly describe the invention and to incorporate into the language of the claim the already present limitation of the particle size of a colloid from the specification. (Para. 22). This amendment does not narrow the scope of the claim. Claims 20, 21, and 24 are amended to clarify the claim language without narrowing their scope. Claim 30 is amended to broaden its scope while also conforming its language to that of claim 19. Claims 31-33 are amended to place them in proper format in view of the amendment to claim 30 without narrowing their scope. Claims 34-40 are new. Please enter the preceding Preliminary Amendment before examining the divisional application.

Conclusion

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at (312) 321-4898 if such communication would expedite allowance of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Blanchard', written over a horizontal line.

Jonathan M. Blanchard, Ph.D.
Reg. No. 48,927

BRINKS HOFER
GILSON & LIONE
P.O. Box 10395
Chicago, IL 60610
(312) 321-4200